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WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Christopher Logan
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U.S. Department of Homeland Security / FEMA
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RE: EMW-2019-FG-05495

Dear Mr. Logan,

I am pleased to provide this letter of support for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant application submitted by the Sheppton-Oneida Volunteer Fire Company (SOVFC).

SOVFC was established in 1933, and the company provides fire suppression, rescue, and emergency medical quick response service to East Union Township, a 26 square mile response area in Schuylkill County. A community-wide risk management assessment, in accordance with NFPA 1500 and NFPA 1250, identified an increase in both the number and complexity of motor vehicle accidents, industrial accidents, agriculture accidents, and increased traffic within SOVFC's primary response area.

SOVFC is seeking \$30,664 to replace obsolete and unreliable hydraulic rescue equipment including a cutter, spreader, and ram. An additional \$18,530 is requested for the purchase of an automatic CPR device.

I respectfully ask that you give SOVFC's application all due consideration, and I thank you for your attention to this request. Please direct your acknowledgement to my Grants Coordinator, Alex Byrne, via email at Alexandra_Byrne@toomey.senate.gov.

Sincerely,


Pat Toomey
U.S. Senator